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(PATENT)

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of: Brian William Hughes

Application No.: 09/777,202

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For: A SYSTEM FOR AND METHOD OF

OPERATING A PROGRAMMABLE COLUMN

FAIL COUNTER FOR REDUNDANCY

ALLOCATION

Examiner: J. C. Kerveros

AMENDMENT ACCOMPANYING A REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) 37 CFR 1.114

MS RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Advisory Action dated December 15, 2004, please accept this amendment, submitted with the accompanying Request for Continued Examination under 37 CFR 1.114, to the above-identified U.S. patent application. As the amendment is timely filed within 60 days of from the Notice of Appeal, Applicant believes that there are no extension fees due. Please amend the above identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.